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REMARKS

Claims 1-90 were pending in the subject application. By this Preliminary Amendment, applicants have cancelled claims 1-39 and 47-81, without prejudice or disclaimer. Additionally, applicants have amended claims 41-45, 82 and 89-90, and added new claims 91 and 92. Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment, original claims 45 and 83-88, amended claims 41-45, 82 and 89-90, and new claims 91 and 92 will be pending and under examination.

Applicants have amended claims 41-42 by replacing the word "A" with "The". Applicants have amended claims 43 and 44 to particularly point out the R moieties off the phenyl and piperidine rings. Applicants have amended claims 45, 82 and 89-90 to change the claim dependencies.

Support for amended claims 43-44 may be found inter alia in the specification as originally filed on page 59, lines 1-9. Support for new claims 91-92 may be found inter alia in the specification as originally filed on page 7, lines 8-13.

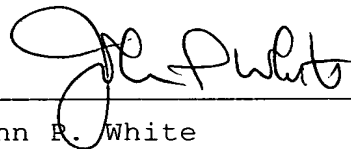
Accordingly, applicants maintain that the amendment to claims and new claims raise no issue of new matter and respectfully request that the amendment be entered.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$770.00 for filing the subject application, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any additional fee be found necessary, authorization is hereby given to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. White", is written over a horizontal line.

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